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RE: U.S. Patent Application of Donovan J. Allen
Title: AIR RECIRCULATING SURFACE CLEANING DEVICE
Serial No.: 10/706,604 Filed: November 12, 2003
Our Ref. No.: 17613-09000 CIP (2)

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2. Form PTO 1449 of References Cited (2 sheets)
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17613-09000 CIP2

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Appl. No. : 10/706,604
Applicant : Donavan J. Allen
Filed : November 12, 2003
Title : AIR RECIRCULATING SURFACE CLEANINGDEVICE

TC/A.U. : 1744
Examiner : Unknown

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

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The Japanese language publications are among the references discussed in the background section of U.S. Patent No. 5,457,848 to Miwa, a copy of which is also being included herewith. English-language documents were cited in the Search Report for the corresponding PCT application, a copy of which is enclosed. It is submitted that the relevance of these documents can be discerned from the drawings. Moreover, the DE '130 reference has an English-language abstract.

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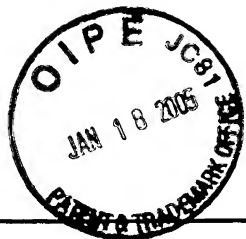
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